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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, code of Federal Regulations, 1.56(a).

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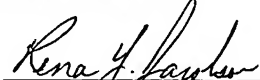
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